

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION**

In re

ALDRICH PUMP LLC, *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 20-____ (___)

(Joint Administration Requested)

**MOTION OF THE DEBTORS
FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER ESTABLISHING CERTAIN
NOTICE, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

Aldrich Pump LLC and Murray Boiler LLC, as debtors and debtors in possession (together, the "Debtors"), hereby move the Court for the entry of an order establishing certain notice, case management, and administrative procedures. In support of this Motion, the Debtors respectfully represent as follows:

Background

1. On the date hereof (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors commenced their reorganization cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

2. The Debtors are authorized to continue to manage their property and operate their businesses as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

3. A comprehensive description of the Debtors, their history, their assets and liabilities, and the events leading to the commencement of these Chapter 11 Cases can be found in the *Declaration of Ray Pittard in Support of First Day Pleadings* (the "Pittard Declaration")

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and the *Declaration of Allan Tananbaum in Support of Debtors' Complaint for Injunctive and Declaratory Relief, Related Motions, and the Chapter 11 Cases* (together with the Pittard Declaration, the "First Day Declarations"), which were filed contemporaneously herewith and are incorporated herein by reference. In addition to the First Day Declarations, the Debtors have filed an Informational Brief to provide additional information about their asbestos litigation, related costs, and plans to address these matters in these Chapter 11 Cases.

Jurisdiction

4. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

Relief Requested

5. Pursuant to sections 102(1) and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and Rules 2002(m), 9007, and 9036 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and consistent with the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina (the "Local Bankruptcy Rules"), the Debtors hereby seek the entry of an order in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Case Management Order"), approving and implementing certain notice, case management, and administrative procedures described in Annex A to the Case Management Order (collectively, the "Case Management Procedures").

Case Management Procedures

6. The Case Management Procedures, among other things: (a) establish requirements for filing and serving notices, motions, applications, declarations, affidavits, objections, replies, responses, memoranda, briefs, supporting documents, and other papers filed in these Chapter 11 Cases (collectively, the "Court Filings") and orders entered in these

Chapter 11 Cases (together with the Court Filings, the "Court Filings and Orders"); (b) delineate standards for notices of hearings and agendas; (c) fix periodic omnibus hearing dates and provide mandatory guidelines for scheduling hearings and setting objection and reply deadlines; and (d) minimize potential burdens on the Court by limiting matters that are required to be heard by the Court.

7. The Debtors believe that the Case Management Procedures will facilitate service of Court Filings and Orders in a manner that will maximize the efficiency and orderly administration of these Chapter 11 Cases, while at the same time ensuring that appropriate notice is provided, particularly to parties who express an interest in these Chapter 11 Cases and those directly affected by a request for relief. In particular, the Case Management Procedures are intended to:

- (a) reduce the need for emergency hearings and requests for expedited relief;
- (b) provide for omnibus hearings for the Court to consider motions, applications, other pleadings, and any responses thereto, as applicable;
- (c) foster consensual resolution of important matters;
- (d) assure prompt receipt of appropriate notice by potentially affected parties;
- (e) allow for electronic notice in accordance with the Court's electronic case filing system (the "ECF System");
- (f) provide ample opportunity for parties in interest to prepare for and respond to matters before the Court;
- (g) reduce the substantial administrative and financial burden that otherwise may be placed on the Debtors and other parties in interest who file documents in these Chapter 11 Cases; and
- (h) reduce the administrative burdens on the Court and the office of the Clerk of the Court of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina (the "Clerk of the Court").

8. To ensure that parties in interest in these Chapter 11 Cases are made aware of the Case Management Procedures, the Debtors propose to: (a) serve the Case Management Procedures on all of the parties on the Service List (as defined in the Case Management Procedures) as soon as practicable after the entry of the Case Management Order; (b) publish the Case Management Procedures on the Debtors' restructuring website at www.kccllc.net/aldrich (the "Case Website"); and (c) make the Case Management Procedures readily available upon request to the Debtors' proposed claims, noticing, and ballot agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC (the "Agent"). If the Case Management Procedures are modified during these Chapter 11 Cases, the Debtors will (a) make updated versions of the Case Management Procedures available on the Case Website, (b) file a notice of the updated procedures (along with a copy of the updated procedures) electronically on the docket, and (c) serve such updated procedures in accordance with the then-current Case Management Procedures.

Argument

9. The Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Bankruptcy Rules provide the Court with authority to approve notice, case management, and administrative procedures. Specifically, section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that bankruptcy courts "may issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of [the Bankruptcy Code]." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). This section thus grants bankruptcy courts broad authority and discretion to enforce the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code either under specific statutes or under equitable common law principles.

10. Section 102(1) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that, where the Bankruptcy Code provides for an action to occur "after notice and a hearing," such action may occur "after such notice as is appropriate in the particular circumstances, and such opportunity for a hearing as is appropriate in the particular circumstances"

11 U.S.C. § 102(1)(A). Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002(m), bankruptcy courts may "enter orders designating the matters in respect to which, the entity to whom, and the form and manner in which notices shall be sent, except as otherwise provided by the [Bankruptcy Rules]." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m).

11. In addition, Bankruptcy Rule 9036 provides that notice may be sent and service of a paper may be effectuated by "filing it with the court's electronic-filing system" or, alternatively, by sending it "by other electronic means that the person consented to in writing." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9036. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9036, "service or notice is complete upon filing or sending" unless a notice is received that the materials did not reach the intended recipient. Id.

12. The Case Management Procedures are consistent with the Local Bankruptcy Rules, which provide for electronic filing and service. For example, Local Bankruptcy Rule 1002-2 provides that attorneys must "file all documents electronically unless leave of the Court is granted." LBR 1002-2(a). Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 5005-1, "[i]f the recipient of notice or service is a registered participant in [the ECF System], service by electronic notification shall be the equivalent of service of the pleading or other papers by first-class mail, postage pre-paid" in accordance with the Bankruptcy Rules and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. LBR 5005-1(d). Further, a party's participation in the ECF System and receipt of a password constitutes an agreement to receive electronic notice and service. Id. Hence, any party submitting a document pursuant to the ECF System already has waived conventional service and will not be prejudiced by electronic notice. Such registered participants will receive notice of electronic filings via e-mail whenever they are affected.

13. If a party does not have access to e-mail, then such party may seek an exemption from electronic service pursuant to the Case Management Procedures to receive paper copies of any documents. Therefore, no party will be affected adversely by the proposed electronic service set forth herein.

14. In sum, implementation of the Case Management Procedures is warranted and appropriate to alleviate the significant administrative burden and cost that otherwise could be imposed on the Debtors' estates, parties in interest, the Court, and the Clerk of Court due to (a) the substantial number of parties in interest expected to be involved and (b) the number of Court Filings and Orders anticipated in these Chapter 11 Cases. The Case Management Procedures will avoid unnecessary cost and delay and will promote the efficient and orderly administration of these Chapter 11 Cases by, among other things, (a) limiting service of Court Filings and Orders to those parties that have an interest in the subject matter thereof, (b) authorizing electronic service, including by the ECF System, and (c) fixing periodic omnibus hearings.² Significantly, the Case Management Procedures do not seek to waive the substantive rights of any party to these Chapter 11 Cases.

15. Courts in this District have regularly granted relief similar to that requested herein to promote the efficient administration of the case and reduce costs. See, e.g., In re DBMP LLC, No. 20-30080 (JCW) (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Jan. 24, 2020) (approving notice, case management, and administrative procedures); In re Bestwall LLC, No. 17-31795 (LTB) (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Nov. 8, 2017) (same); In re OldCo, LLC, No. 17-30140 (JCW) (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Feb. 3, 2017) (approving case management and noticing procedures); In re Kaiser

² By way of example, implementation of the Case Management Procedures will allow the Debtors and other parties in interest in these Chapter 11 Cases to avoid the burden and cost associated with service of Court Filings and Orders by non-electronic means to all parties in interest, including, among other things, the costs associated with photocopying, postage expenses, and other expenses of coordinating large mailings.

Gypsum Co., Inc., No. 16-31602 (JCW) (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Dec. 31, 2016) (approving case management and scheduling procedures); In re Cox & Schepp, Inc., No. 12-30019 (JCW) (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Feb. 1, 2012) (approving case management and noticing procedures); In re Northampton Generating Co., L.P., No 11-33095 (JCW) (Bankr. W.D.N.C. Dec. 12, 2011) (same); In re Garlock Sealing Techs. LLC, No. 10-31607 (JCW) (Bankr. W.D.N.C. June 8, 2010) (same).

Notice

16. Notice of this Motion has been provided to: (a) the Office of the United States Bankruptcy Administrator for the Western District of North Carolina; (b) the parties on the list of 20 law firms with significant representations of asbestos claimants filed with the Debtors' chapter 11 petitions; and (c) counsel to the Debtors' non-debtor affiliates, Trane Technologies Company LLC and Trane U.S. Inc. The Debtors submit that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be provided.

No Prior Request

17. No prior request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other Court in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases.

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court: (a) enter the Case Management Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, granting the relief requested herein; and (b) grant such other and further relief to the Debtors as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: June 18, 2020
Charlotte, North Carolina

Respectfully submitted,

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PROPOSED ATTORNEYS FOR DEBTORS
AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION

Exhibit A

Proposed Order

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
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In re

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Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 20-____ (___)

(Jointly Administered)

**ORDER ESTABLISHING CERTAIN
NOTICE, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

This matter coming before the Court on the *Motion of the Debtors for Entry of an Order Establishing Certain Notice, Case Management, and Administrative Procedures* (the "Motion"),² filed by the debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (together, the "Debtors"); the Court having reviewed the Motion and having considered the statements of counsel and the evidence adduced with respect to the Motion at a hearing before

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² Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings given to them in the Motion.

the Court (the "Hearing"); the Court finding that (a) the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, (b) venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409, (c) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b), (d) notice of the Motion and the Hearing was sufficient under the circumstances, (e) no other or further notice need be provided, (f) the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest, and (g) implementation of the Case Management Procedures, as described in Annex A hereto, in these Chapter 11 Cases (i) is fair and reasonable, (ii) is consistent with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Bankruptcy Rules, and (iii) provides for adequate notice under the circumstances; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and the First Day Declarations and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is GRANTED.
2. The Case Management Procedures set forth in Annex A hereto are approved and shall apply as provided therein in these Chapter 11 Cases, except as otherwise ordered by the Court. Notice and service accomplished in accordance with the Case Management Procedures shall be deemed adequate in all respects pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Bankruptcy Rules. To the extent the Case Management Procedures conflict with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, or the Local Bankruptcy Rules, the Case Management Procedures shall govern and supersede such rules.
3. The next three omnibus hearings are scheduled as follows:
 - (a) __: __ .m., prevailing Eastern Time, on ____, 2020;
 - (b) __: __ .m., prevailing Eastern Time, on ____, 2020; and
 - (c) __: __ .m., prevailing Eastern Time, on ____, 2020.

4. Prior to giving notice of the Case Management Procedures, the Debtors are authorized to make non-substantive revisions and corrections as needed to the Case Management Procedures including, without limitation, filling in (a) the omnibus hearing schedule and (b) the date and docket number of this Order where indicated therein.

5. Any party may obtain a copy of the Case Management Procedures by: (a) accessing the website maintained by the Agent at www.kccllc.net/aldrich, free of charge; (b) contacting the Agent directly at aldrichinfo@kccllc.com, 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 300, El Segundo, CA 90245 (Attn: Aldrich Claims Processing Center) or by telephone at (866) 573-9926; or (c) accessing PACER on the Court's website at <https://www.ncwb.uscourts.gov> for a nominal fee.

6. This Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

7. Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(f), any party shall be entitled to request that the Court reconsider entry of this Order by filing a motion for reconsideration within 14 days of service of this Order.

8. As soon as practicable after the entry of this Order, a copy of the Case Management Procedures shall be served by the Debtors on each of the parties on the Service List. In addition, shortly after the end of each calendar month, the Agent shall serve a copy of the Case Management Procedures upon any party filing a 2002 Notice Request in accordance with these Case Management Procedures within such calendar month. To help ensure that all parties who may participate in these Chapter 11 Cases are aware of the terms of the Case Management Procedures, the Agent shall post the Case Management Procedures on the Case Website.

9. The Debtors are authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary to implement the relief granted in this Order.

10. This Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction over any and all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.

This Order has been signed electronically.
The Judge's signature and Court's seal appear
at the top of the Order.

United States Bankruptcy Court

ANNEX A

Case Management Procedures

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
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(Jointly Administered)

NOTICE, CASE MANAGEMENT, AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

On June 18, 2020 (the "Petition Date"), Aldrich Pump LLC and Murray Boiler LLC (together, the "Debtors") commenced the above-captioned bankruptcy cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

On _____, 2020, the Court entered an order (the "Case Management Order") [Dkt. ____], pursuant to sections 102(1) and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and Rules 2002(m), 9007, and 9036 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and consistent with the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina (the "Local Bankruptcy Rules"), approving (a) these Notice, Case Management, and Administrative Procedures (collectively, the "Case Management Procedures") and (b) the form and notice thereof.

Pursuant to the Case Management Order, all notices, motions, applications, briefs, memoranda, declarations, affidavits, objections, responses, replies, supporting documents, and

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other papers filed in these Chapter 11 Cases and orders entered in these Chapter 11 Cases are subject to, and will not be deemed properly served unless they are served in accordance with, these Case Management Procedures. Additionally, to the extent there is a conflict between (a) the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, or the Local Bankruptcy Rules and (b) these Case Management Procedures, these Case Management Procedures shall govern in all respects. *Accordingly, all parties in interest are strongly encouraged to review these Case Management Procedures in their entirety and consult their own legal counsel with respect to any of the matters discussed herein prior to filing any documents in these Chapter 11 Cases.*

Case Management Procedures

A. Omnibus Hearings

1. All Matters to Be Heard at Omnibus Hearings. All matters requiring a hearing in these Chapter 11 Cases shall be heard at periodic omnibus hearings (each, an "Omnibus Hearing") in accordance with these Case Management Procedures, unless otherwise scheduled by the Court for good reason shown. The Debtors shall be authorized to schedule, in cooperation with the Court, Omnibus Hearings to consider (a) all motions, applications, and other requests for relief, along with any notices, briefs, memoranda, declarations, affidavits, replies, and other documents filed in support of such papers seeking relief (collectively, the "Requests for Relief"); and (b) all objections and responses to such Requests for Relief and documents filed in support of such objections and responses (collectively, the "Objections" and, together with the Requests for Relief and all other filed documents, the "Court Filings") pursuant to the following procedures:

(a) Initial Omnibus Hearings. The next three Omnibus Hearings shall be held on the following dates and times:

(i) __: __ .m., prevailing Eastern Time, on _____, 2020;

- (ii) __: __ .m., prevailing Eastern Time, on _____, 2020;
and
- (iii) __: __ .m., prevailing Eastern Time, on _____, 2020.
- (b) Subsequent Omnibus Hearings. The Debtors shall be authorized to schedule, in coordination with the Court, additional Omnibus Hearings. The Debtors shall file notices of additional Omnibus Hearing dates with the Court on a periodic basis. The Debtors' claims, noticing, and ballot agent (the "Agent") shall post the dates of the Omnibus Hearings on a website established for this case at www.kccllc.net/aldrich (the "Case Website"). Entities may contact the Agent for information concerning all scheduled Omnibus Hearings.
- (c) Proposed Omnibus Hearing Agenda. Two business days before each Omnibus Hearing, the Debtors' counsel will file a proposed agenda with regard to the matters that are scheduled to be heard at such Omnibus Hearing (the "Proposed Hearing Agenda"). The Proposed Hearing Agenda may include notice of matters that have been consensually adjourned to a later Omnibus Hearing in lieu of parties filing a separate notice of such adjournment. The Debtors may file an updated Proposed Hearing Agenda on the day prior to the Omnibus Hearing to reflect any updates to the status of scheduled matters.
- (d) Content of Proposed Hearing Agenda. The Proposed Hearing Agenda will include, to the extent known by Debtors' counsel:
 - (i) the docket number and title of each matter scheduled for hearing at such Omnibus Hearing, including the initial filing and any filed responses, replies or documents related thereto;
 - (ii) the relevant objection deadlines and whether the matters are contested or uncontested;
 - (iii) whether the matters have settled or are proposed to be continued;
 - (iv) other comments that will assist the Court; and
 - (v) a suggestion for the order in which the matters should be addressed. The matters listed on the Proposed Hearing Agenda shall be limited to matters of substance and shall not include administrative filings, such as notices of appearance and affidavits of service.
- (e) Adjournment of Omnibus Hearings. Notwithstanding Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(d), and unless the Court orders otherwise, the Debtors' counsel may, without further leave of the Court,
 - (i) adjourn any hearing on a Request for Relief filed by the Debtors to a subsequent Omnibus Hearing either (A) if no Objection contesting the relief has been filed or (B) with the consent of any party that has filed such an Objection, and
 - (ii) adjourn any hearing

on a Request for Relief filed by a non-debtor party to a subsequent Omnibus Hearing provided that the filing party consents and either (A) no Objection contesting the relief has been filed or (B) any party that has filed such an Objection consents. Notice of such adjournments may be filed separately on the docket or noted in the Proposed Hearing Agenda.

- (f) Cancellation of Omnibus Hearings. If no matters are scheduled for hearing at an Omnibus Hearing, the Debtors may cancel the Omnibus Hearing, with the consent of the Court, by filing a notice of cancellation on the docket for these Chapter 11 Cases.
- (g) Adversary Proceedings. Notwithstanding the foregoing, hearings in any adversary proceedings filed in these Chapter 11 Cases shall be set by the Court. Such hearings may be scheduled for Omnibus Hearing dates or other dates.

B. Filing Procedures; General Motion Practice; Deadlines for Filing of Responsive Pleadings

2. Procedures Established for Court Filings. In accordance with Local Bankruptcy Rule 1002-2(a), registered users of the Court's Electronic Case Filing System (the "ECF System") shall file all Court Filings electronically. Any Court Filing that refers specifically to a pleading that has already been filed in these Chapter 11 Cases shall make specific reference to the docket number assigned by the Court to such pleading by use of the designation "Dkt. ____" or similar designation.

3. General Motion Practice. The following procedures shall be followed for Requests for Relief generally, except as otherwise provided by these Case Management Procedures or an order of the Court:

- (a) Requests for Relief. Notwithstanding Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-2(b), any Request for Relief, including briefs, must be filed at least 21 calendar days prior to the hearing thereon. A Request for Relief may be scheduled by the filing party to be heard at any Omnibus Hearing at least 21 calendar days after the filing of such Request for Relief.
- (b) Inconsistent Filings. If a party other than the Debtors files a Court Filing and purports to set a hearing date inconsistent with these

Case Management Procedures (an "Inconsistent Filing"), the hearing shall be scheduled, without the necessity of Court order, for the first Omnibus Hearing date after the 21-day notice period has expired, and the Debtors shall provide such party with notice of these Case Management Procedures within five business days of receipt of the Inconsistent Filing.

- (c) Service of Requests for Relief. All Requests for Relief shall be served in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Bankruptcy Rules, and any applicable Court order on:
 - (i) the master service list attached as Schedule 1 hereto (the "Master Service List") that the Agent shall maintain pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-1;
 - (ii) the list of entities (the "2002 List" and, together with the Master Service List, the "Service List") that have filed a written request for service of filings in these Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 (a "2002 Notice Request"), which the Agent also shall maintain pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-1; and
 - (iii) each entity with a particularized interest in the subject matter of the specific Court Filing (each, an "Affected Entity").
- (d) Notices of Requests for Relief. Parties should consult the Local Bankruptcy Rules regarding the form and content of notices with respect to Requests for Relief and visit the Court's website at <http://www.nwb.uscourts.gov> for more information.
- (e) Requests for Shortened Time or Limited Notice. Nothing contained herein shall prejudice the rights of any party in interest to move the Court to further limit or expand notice of matters and proceedings upon a showing of good cause, including, but not limited to, the right to (i) file a Request for Relief upon shortened notice; (ii) seek expedited hearings, where appropriate, in accordance with Local Bankruptcy Rule 9006-1; or (iii) seek an enlargement or reduction of time pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9006.
- (f) Notice Periods. Except as specifically set forth herein, all notice periods for Requests for Relief shall be computed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Bankruptcy Rules and nothing in these Case Management Procedures shall be deemed to change such requirements.
- (g) Evidentiary Hearings. Nothing herein shall prejudice the rights of any party to seek appropriate discovery with respect to any Court Filings, and all parties' rights to request an evidentiary hearing or establish a discovery schedule are preserved.

- (h) Ex Parte Motions. Nothing contained herein shall prejudice the rights of any party in interest to file a Request for Relief on an *ex parte* basis pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(f).

4. Filing and Service of Objections, Replies, and Other Responsive

Pleadings. The following procedures shall be followed, except as otherwise provided by these Case Management Procedures or an order of the Court:

- (a) Objections and Replies. Notwithstanding Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-2(b), any Objection, including related briefs, must be filed on or before the date that is 14 days after the filing and service of a Request for Relief (the "Objection Deadline"). If an Objection is filed, the movant or another interested party may file a reply and any documents in support of the reply, including briefs (collectively, a "Reply"), with the Court on or before the last business day that is at least three calendar days before the applicable hearing date (the "Reply Deadline").
- (b) Extension of Objection Deadline. The Objection Deadline may be extended upon the consent of the entity filing the Request for Relief without further order of the Court, provided that the Objection Deadline shall not be less than seven calendar days before the hearing on such matter without approval of the Court. The Reply Deadline may be extended with the approval of the Court. Unless otherwise agreed by the entity filing the Request for Relief, adjournment of the hearing on the Request for Relief shall not extend the Objection Deadline.
- (c) Service of Objections. All Objections shall be filed with the Court and served by the applicable Objection Deadline upon (i) the entity filing the Request for Relief, (ii) the Debtors, (iii) those entities on the Service List, and (iv) each Affected Entity.
- (d) Service of Replies to Objections. Any Reply shall be filed and served by the applicable Reply Deadline upon (i) the entity filing the Request for Relief, (ii) the Debtors, (iii) each party that filed an Objection, (iv) each party on the Service List, and (v) each Affected Entity.

5. Granting the Request for Relief Without a Hearing. A Request for Relief

may be granted without a hearing to the extent allowed under the Bankruptcy Rules or the Local Bankruptcy Rules, including under Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(e), except as otherwise

provided herein. If the Court decides not to grant the Request for Relief without a hearing,

- (a) the Request for Relief shall be heard at the next scheduled Omnibus Hearing and
- (b) the decision not to grant the Request for Relief shall not constitute an extension of the Objection Deadline related thereto with respect to any party, unless otherwise agreed between the party seeking relief and the party seeking to object.

6. Settlements. If a matter is properly noticed for hearing and the parties reach agreement on a settlement of the dispute prior to the scheduled hearing, the parties may announce the settlement at the scheduled hearing. If the Court determines that the notice of the dispute and the hearing is adequate notice of the proposed settlement (i.e., that the terms of the settlement are not materially different from what parties in interest could have expected if the dispute were fully litigated), the Court may approve the settlement at the hearing without further notice of the terms of the settlement. If the Court determines that additional or supplemental notice of the proposed settlement is required, the Debtors shall serve such notice in accordance with the procedures set forth herein, and a hearing to consider such settlement shall be held on the next Omnibus Hearing date or such other date as determined by the Court. Nothing herein shall be construed as modifying the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 9019 where the Court determines that such rule applies.

7. Lift Stay Actions. Motions filed by parties other than the Debtors seeking relief pursuant to section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and Objections thereto shall be governed by the following procedures:

- (a) If the Omnibus Hearing at which such motion shall be heard is more than 30 days after the date of service of the motion, the movant shall be deemed to have consented to the continuation of the automatic stay and waived its right to assert termination of the automatic stay pursuant to section 362(e) of the Bankruptcy Code until after the conclusion of such Omnibus Hearing and a

ruling on the motion by the Court as reflected in an order entered on the docket of these Chapter 11 Cases.

- (b) The initial hearing on any motion for relief from the automatic stay shall be a preliminary hearing unless otherwise agreed to by the Debtors. Notwithstanding section 362(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, if a scheduled motion for relief from the automatic stay under section 362(d) of the Bankruptcy Code by a party other than the Debtors is adjourned by agreement of the Debtors and the moving party to a date that is 30 or more days after the moving party made its request for relief, the moving party shall be deemed to have consented to the continuation of the effectiveness of the automatic stay pending the conclusion of, or as a result of, a preliminary hearing and determination under section 362(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, and shall be deemed to have waived its right to assert the termination of the automatic stay under section 362(e) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Court may continue the effectiveness of the automatic stay until a final hearing on the matter and the entry of an order with respect to such matter. Nothing in this section shall prevent a party from seeking expedited consideration of a motion for relief from the automatic stay.

C. Service and Notice Procedures

8. Procedures Established for Notices. All Court Filings shall be filed with the Court and served in accordance with the notice procedures set forth herein (the "Notice Procedures").

9. Entities Entitled to Service. All Court Filings shall be served on the Service List and any other Affected Entities according to the Notice Procedures, except as otherwise provided by these Case Management Procedures or an order of the Court.

In accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 2002 and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2002-1, the Agent shall maintain the Service List, which shall be updated in accordance with paragraph 10, below.

An updated Service List can be obtained by (a) accessing the Case Website, (b) contacting the Agent directly, or (c) contacting Debtors' counsel directly.

10. Maintenance of the Service List. At least every 10 days during the first 60 days of these Chapter 11 Cases, and thereafter at least once every calendar month, the Agent

shall maintain and update the Service List by (a) making any necessary additions and deletions and (b) posting an updated version of the Service List on the Case Website.

11. Parties on the Master Service List. The Master Service List shall include the following parties:

- (a) the Debtors and their counsel;
- (b) the United States Bankruptcy Administrator for the Western District of North Carolina;
- (c) the list of 20 law firms with significant representations of asbestos claimants filed with the Debtors' chapter 11 petitions, but only until an official committee of asbestos claimants (the "ACC") is appointed and selects counsel;
- (d) counsel to the ACC or any other statutory committees appointed by the Court in these Chapter 11 Cases (each, a "Committee");
- (e) counsel to any representative of future asbestos claimants appointed by the Court in these Chapter 11 Cases (the "FCR");
- (f) counsel to the Debtors' non-debtor affiliates, Trane Technologies Company LLC and Trane U.S. Inc.; and
- (g) the Agent.

12. Requests for Documents Require E-mail Address. Any creditor or party in interest may enter an appearance and request receipt of all Court Filings pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 by filing a 2002 Notice Request with the Court and providing a copy of the 2002 Notice Request to (a) the Debtors and their counsel and (b) the Agent, each at the addresses set forth on Schedule 1 attached hereto. Except as set forth in paragraph 13 below, a 2002 Notice Request filed with the Court shall be deemed proper if and only if it includes the following information with respect to the party filing such request: (a) the name, organization (if any), full street address (no P.O. boxes), phone number, fax number (if any), and e-mail address of the party requesting service; (b) if made by an attorney, the party, or parties

that such attorney represents; and (c) a certification (i) that a copy of the 2002 Notice Request has been provided to the Debtors and their counsel and the Agent at the applicable addresses set forth on Schedule 1 hereto, and (ii) stating the date and manner in which the 2002 Notice Request was so provided.

13. Certification Opting Out of E-mail Service. Any individual or entity filing a 2002 Notice Request who does not maintain (and cannot practicably obtain) an e-mail address, and therefore cannot receive service by e-mail, must include in the 2002 Notice Request a certification to that effect (the "Certification"). The Certification shall include a statement certifying that the individual or entity (a) does not maintain an e-mail address and (b) cannot practicably obtain an e-mail address at which the individual or entity could receive service by e-mail. Such individual entity will thereafter receive paper service as provided in these Case Management Procedures.

14. No E-mail or Certification Provided. If a 2002 Notice Request fails to include an e-mail address or a Certification, the Debtors shall forward a copy of these Case Management Procedures to such party within five business days of receipt of service of the 2002 Notice Request and specifically request an e-mail address. ***Until (a) an e-mail address or (b) a Certification is provided in response to the Debtors' request, such party shall not be added to the 2002 List and shall not be served with copies of Court Filings filed in these Chapter 11 Cases unless such Court Filings directly affect such party.***

15. Service of Motions Required to Be Served on All Creditors and Parties in Interest. With respect to Requests for Relief for which particular notices are required to be served on all creditors and parties in interest — including pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002(a)(2), 2002(a)(3), 4001, 6004, 6007, and/or 9019 — and subject to paragraph 16,

below, parties shall serve all such filings by e-mail, except as otherwise provided in paragraphs 12 through 14, above, on the Service List and any Affected Entity.

16. Except as otherwise provided by order of the Court, the Notice Procedures shall not apply to notices of the matters or proceedings described in the following Bankruptcy Rules:

- (a) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(1) (meeting of creditors pursuant to section 341 of the Bankruptcy Code);
- (b) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(4) (hearing on the dismissal of a case or the conversion of a case to another chapter);
- (c) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(5) (time fixed to accept or reject a proposed modification of a chapter 11 plan);
- (d) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(a)(7) (time fixed for filing a proof of claim pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3003(c));
- (e) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(b)(1) (time fixed for filing objections to, and any hearing to consider approval of, a disclosure statement);
- (f) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(b)(2) (time fixed for filing objections to, and any hearing to consider confirmation of, a chapter 11 plan);
- (g) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(d) (certain matters for which notice is to be provided to equity security holders);
- (h) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f)(1) (entry of the order for relief);
- (i) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f)(2) (dismissal or conversion of a case to another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code);
- (j) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f)(3) (time allowed for filing claims pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3002);
- (k) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f)(6) (waiver, denial, or revocation of a discharge as provided in Bankruptcy Rule 4006);
- (l) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f)(7) (entry of an order confirming a chapter 11 plan); and
- (m) Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f)(8) (summary of the trustee's final report and account should the case be converted to chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code).

Notice of the foregoing matters shall be given to all parties in interest in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 2002 and other applicable Bankruptcy Rules, unless otherwise ordered by the Court or otherwise prescribed by the Bankruptcy Code.

17. Service by E-mail. All Court Filings shall be electronically filed using the ECF System and served via e-mail as provided in these Case Management Procedures,² which shall be deemed to constitute proper service for all parties who are sent such e-mail service, provided, however, that notwithstanding the foregoing and paragraph 19 below, (a) a summons and complaint in an adversary proceeding shall not be served by e-mail and (b) documents filed under seal shall not be served. In accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9036 and Local Bankruptcy Rule 5005-1(d), the "Notice of Electronic Filing" that is automatically generated and sent via e-mail by the ECF System shall constitute proper, sufficient, and effective service by e-mail for those parties who are, or whose agents are, registered attorney users of the ECF System (each, an "ECF System User" and, collectively, "ECF System Users"). Therefore, a party filing a Court Filing that is served on the ECF System Users via the ECF System has no further obligation to serve such Court Filing on the ECF System Users, provided that service to an ECF System User shall not be effective if the filing party receives notice that service of the Court Filing did not reach the ECF System User.

- (a) Consent to Electronic Service. Each creditor or party in interest on the Master Service List or that files a 2002 Notice Request shall be deemed to have consented to service of all Court Filings solely by electronic transmission, unless such creditor or party in interest has included a Certification opting out of such service.
- (b) E-mail Subject Line. With respect to the service of any Court Filing, the subject line of the e-mail shall include: (i) the Debtors' case name and case number (In re Aldrich Pump LLC,

² If an e-mail address is not available but service is required by these Case Management Procedures, Court Filings and Orders shall be served by facsimile, first class mail, overnight delivery, or hand delivery, in the sole discretion of the serving party.

Case No. 20-____ (____); (ii) the name of the party serving such Court Filing; and (iii) the title of the Court Filing being served. If the title of the Court Filing is too long to fit reasonably within the subject line of the e-mail, the subject line shall contain a shortened version of such title and the text of the e-mail shall contain the full name of such Court Filing.

- (c) E-mail Attachments. All Court Filings served by e-mail shall include access to a computer file containing the entire document (including any proposed form of order and exhibits, attachments or other materials) in PDF format, readable by Adobe Acrobat or other equivalent document reader programs commonly available without cost. The relevant Court Filing shall either be attached to the e-mail in a format specified above or the e-mail shall contain a link to such filing in such format.
- (d) Effective Date of Service. Service by e-mail on a party shall be effective as of the earlier of: (i) the date the Court Filing (or a notice stating that the Court Filing cannot be attached but is available on the ECF System or the Case Website) is transmitted by e-mail to the address provided by such party; or (ii) the date the Court Filing is posted on the ECF System where service on such ECF System User via the ECF System is proper under these Case Management Procedures.

18. Certificates of Service. Certificates of service of all Court Filings, including a list of parties served, shall be filed with the Court; provided, however, that parties shall not be required to serve the certificates of service on the recipients identified thereon.

19. Serving Adversary Proceedings. All filings in adversary proceedings shall be served, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7005, upon all parties to the adversary proceeding, all parties known to have a particularized interest in the subject of such adversary proceeding, and the parties listed on the Master Service List. Any summons and complaint initiating an adversary proceeding shall be served, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7004, upon the party or parties against whom relief is sought, all parties known to have a particularized interest in the subject of such proceeding and the parties listed on the Master Service List. Absent leave of

the Court, responsive pleadings shall be filed only by defendants in adversary proceedings and/or by parties in interest who seek to be joined or to dismiss for failure to join a necessary party.

20. Service of Orders. All parties submitting orders shall serve a conformed copy of any entered order on the parties that were entitled to service of the underlying Request for Relief in accordance with these Case Management Procedures, except as otherwise provided by an order of the Court. The Agent shall post all entered orders on the Case Website.

21. Right to Request Special Notice Procedures. Nothing herein shall prejudice the rights of any party in interest to seek an amendment or waiver of the provisions of the Case Management Procedures upon a showing of good cause, including, without limitation, the right to file a motion seeking emergency *ex parte* relief or relief upon shortened notice.

D. Additional Case Management Procedures

22. Adequate Notice. Notice and service accomplished in accordance with the provisions set forth in these Case Management Procedures shall be deemed adequate in all respects pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Bankruptcy Rules.

23. Computation of Time. Unless otherwise specified, all time periods referenced in these Case Management Procedures shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

24. Extensions of Time. If a Motion to extend the time for a party to take any action is filed consistent with this Order before the expiration of the period prescribed by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Bankruptcy Rules, or the provisions of any order entered by this Court, the time shall automatically be extended until the Court acts on the Motion, without the necessity for the entry of a bridge order. If the Court denies such Motion

to extend, then the applicable action must be completed no later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, on the first business day after the Court issues its order.

25. Effect of the Case Management Procedures. The Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Bankruptcy Rules shall continue to apply to all proceedings in these Chapter 11 Cases, except to the extent that any provision of the Case Management Procedures by its terms supersedes or is inconsistent with such rules.

Schedule 1

Master Service List

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See Voluntary Bankruptcy Petitions: List of 20 Law Firms With Significant Representations of Asbestos Claimants.

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